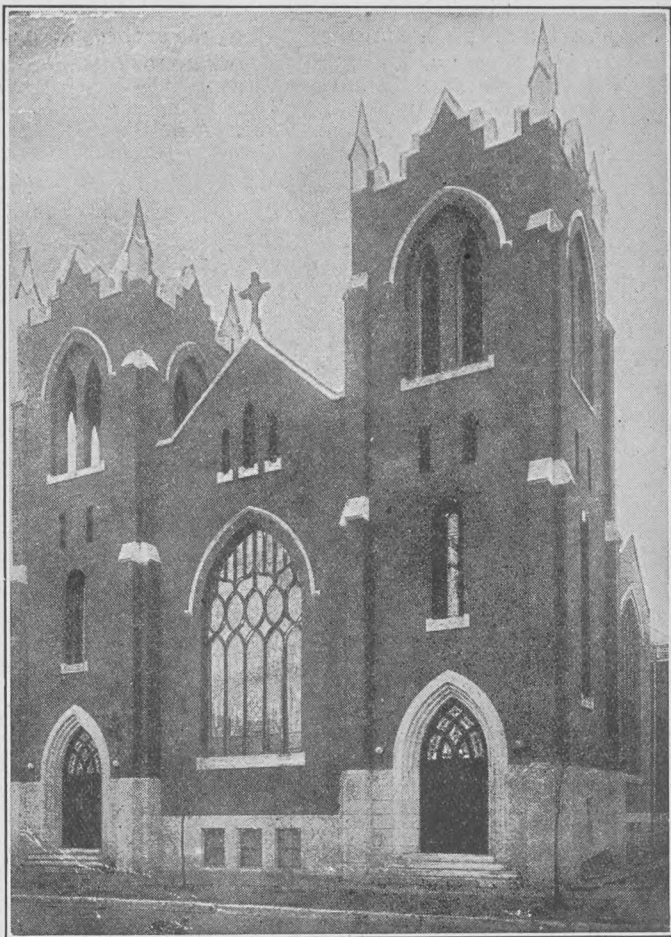


The First Lutheran Church

WINNIPEG, MANITOBA, CANADA.



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QUINQUAGESIMA SUNDAY

March 3rd, 1946

Organ Prelude.

Opening Hymn, No. 164....."Come, Thou Almighty King"

The Order of Service, page 9, Common Service Book:

- (a) Confession (b) Kyrie: "Lord Have Mercy"
(c) The Declaration of Grace (d) The Collect

The Epistle Lesson, 1. Cor. 13: 1-13.

The Gospel Lesson, Luke 18: 31-43.

Vocal Solo.....By Pearl Johnson
Offertory.

Offering—During the presentation of offering the congregation sings:

"Grant us Lord, the grace of giving
With a spirit large and free,
That ourselves and all our living
We may offer unto Thee. Amen."

Anthem by the Choir:

"O Worship the King".....J. H. Manneder

Hymn No. 276....."Love Divine, All Love Excelling"

Sermon by the Pastor:

"A HYMN OF LOVE"
1. Cor. 13: 13.

"Create in me a clean heart O, God."

Closing Hymn No. 198....."The Church's One Foundation"

Closing Prayers

Benediction

God Save the King

Postlude

LUTHERAN WORLD ACTION

In this very important cause which is being sponsored by the United Lutheran Church in America, in addition to its main program, the Treasurer of the Icelandic Synod is pleased to note increased response and outside interest.

The appeal for material aid for the sufferers of war devastation is meeting with sympathetic response in the gifts of money and much needed clothing. One of the smaller parishes of our Synod recently forwarded a gift of \$510.00 including a half ton of clothing. Much more of similar goodwill must be manifested in action, if the sufferers in European countries are to survive.

Contributions for Lutheran World Action can be placed on the offering plate, in the regular envelopes, which should be marked with "L. W. A." to indicate the intention of the donor.

NEXT WEDNESDAY ASH WEDNESDAY

Lent begins next Wednesday, March 6th. As in former years short Lenten devotions will be conducted in the lower auditorium on Wednesday evenings during Lent, beginning next Wednesday at 8 p.m.

AN OPEN LETTER

Winnipeg, Feb. 24, 1946

Mr. G. F. Jonasson,
President Board of Trustees,
First Lutheran Church,
Winnipeg.

Dear Mr. Jonasson:

I am enclosing a cheque covering my pledge of \$25.00 on U.L.C.A. apportionment account (Missions) for the current year. Please be kind enough to pass this on to the treasurer.

As you may recall, this pledge was made voluntarily for the congregation has not as yet committed itself to any specific budgeting on our Synods U.L.C.A. apportionment program. It is in the hope that this program may be taken more earnestly by us as a congregation that I am writing you at this time.

As it is seemingly not clear to a great part of our membership what is accomplished through our participation in the U.L.C.A. world program, it is appropriate at this time to refer to our church bulletin of Feb. 17th and re-read the article under the heading of "A Soldier Discovers Missions"—THIS IS IT.

In other words, the greater part of the United Lutheran Church in America \$2,500,000 program for the years 1945, 1946 is devoted to Foreign Missions and in transforming savages and heathens to civilized and Christian human beings.

Our Icelandic Synod, as a member synod of this greater church body, the U.L.C.A. is advised of its proportionate share in this program of the U.L.C.A. which covers all its activities, Administrative, Benevolent, Educational, Home and Foreign Missions. This share, broken down to a "per member" basis would equal about \$1.25 per confirmed member per year. Surely not an unreasonable demand nor one to be considered as a burdensome obligation, much less, as too many mistakingly regard it, as a tax.

The amount therefore to be forthcoming, on this basis from our congregation, with the largest membership of our Synod congregations is about \$800. I would allow myself to express the hope, that with the awakened appreciation of the U.L.C.A. world program of evangelism, with its attendant benefits of education and benevolence and the consciousness that only so far as the Christian church continues to pursue its calling will it correspondingly prosper and witness the increase and blessings of its efforts in such clear evidences as that experienced by the fliers forced down on that strange islands coast, whose natives had been one time savages.

Surely the value of human lives cannot be computed in dollars, nor the element of grace, transforming human characters be measured but on a Divine plane.

I trust that with the necessary initiative of our board of trustees and with the ever efficient aid of our ladies organizations, including that of the Missions Society, that the U.L.C.A. apportionment may meet with ever increasing response and become a top item in our annual budgeting.

Yours cordially,

A MEMBER.

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